



**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicants:

Chiarelli, et al.

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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

Dear Sir:

Applicants respectfully submit the following Amendment and Response to Restriction Requirement in response to the Office Action mailed December 15, 2008.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2.

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